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RESPONSE

MS AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This response is directed to the Office Action mailed on December 9, 2004 setting a three month shortened statutory period for response expiring on March 9, 2005. In this Office Action, pending claims 1-22 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness type double patenting over claims 1-22 of US Patent No. 6,732,885 in view of Fridman.

Enclosed herewith is a Terminal Disclaimer to overcome this rejection.

Claims 1-22 remain pending in the application. This response is believed to be fully responsive to all points raised in the Office Action. Claims 1-22 are believed to be allowable and therefore the application is believed to be fully in condition for allowance. Such action is

therefore earnestly solicited. Should the examiner have any remaining questions or concerns he is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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